**American Literature Vocabulary Unit 3B**

Define the following words AND write a sentence using each. The word should be used correctly.

1. Condescend (v):
2. Enclave (n):
3. Forte (n):
4. Icon (n):
5. Plethora (n):
6. Pragmatic (adj):
7. Quizzical (adj):
8. Schism (n):
9. Therapeutic (adj):
10. Virtuoso (n):

**Synonyms: Pick 5 vocabulary words and write a synonym for each. Write both words down please.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Fill in the blank with the correct vocabulary word**

1. He considers himself such a marvelous chess player that I’m surprise he would \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to sit down at the board with a beginner like me.
2. The “minor difference of opinion” developed into a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that split the political party into two opposing factions.
3. The situation is growing worse because there is a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of good intentions but a dearth of common sense and willingness to work hard.
4. The stubborn old-timers who refused to sell their homes came to form a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of “natives” surrounded by “city people.”
5. A good laugh invariably makes me feel better; I honestly believe that it has a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ effect on my depression.
6. At the height of Beatlemania in the mid-1960s the Fab Four assumed the stature of pop \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
7. I would have welcomed any firm answer, no matter how unfavorable, but all that I got from her was a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ smile.
8. When she neatly faked out the guard, pivoted, and drove in for a layup, I realized that I was seeing a true \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on the basketball court.
9. My classmates selected me to address the community affairs committee because public speaking is a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of mine.
10. What point is there in dwelling on unproven theories when the problem we are facing demands that we be as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as possible.

**Antonyms: Choose the vocabulary word that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the italicized word or expression in the given phrase. Write the answer on the line.**

1. Gave a *crystal-clear* response
2. Known for their *idealistic* views
3. Shown not to be a *shortcoming*
4. Received a *scarce amount* of gifts
5. The *injurious* results of the medication

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_